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Dear Mr. McCampbell:

Enclosed is a copy of your article for the upcoming **Zetetic Scholar** as I ended up retyping it. Note that (a) I corrected a few incomplete sentences and typos, (b) added some small clarifications (as in the case of the numbers after the Senators and Congressman which I presumed referred to the number of days before you heard back from them), and (c) added an editorial note and an address correction (for CUFOS) to bring your piece more up to date in light of recent events. I presume these changes/additions are o.k. with you but thought it best to send you this copy just in case you noticed anything wrong. And, of course, you may notice some typo of my own, so do read it over and let me know if it is OK with you. Needless to say, the sooner the better since I want to get this issue off to the printer early next month. (If I don't hear from you in the next week or so, I will presume it met with your approval.)

Please also give me information about you to include in the "About the Authors" section. It usually runs a sentence or so something like: "X is a professional science writer and is well known for his Hunting Ardvarks in Antarctica ((1984)." Or: "Dr. Y is an associate professor of crytptoichythyology at the University of Tundra."

Best wishes,

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GOVERNMENT POLICY ON UFOS

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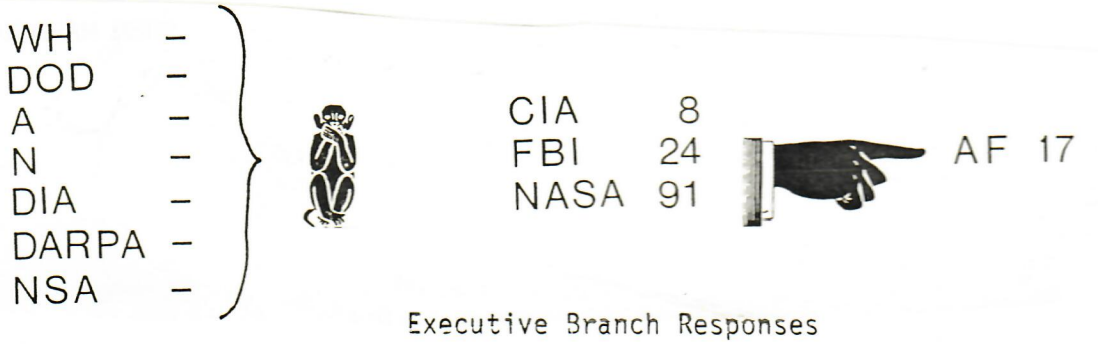

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The silence of seven offices suggests that (a) there is no policy, (b) it is not known in those offices, or (c) they do not communicate with private citizens (to be expected from such as the National Security Agency but rather surprising for the Special Assistant of the President for Public Liaison).

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It has become clear that official pronouncements by the Air Force bear the earmarks of propaganda, dis-information, and deception. Based upon what is known today, it is possible to identify the party line and see through it. Main elements of the official U.S. government policy as promugated by the Air Force are patently false. Contrary to the official claims, there is a mountain of evidence on UFOs. It is not being dispersed by the media. UFOs are vehicles of unknown origin. Their performance is much advanced beyond our science and technology. The potential payout from scientific study is enormous. UFOs are

emphatically a menace to national security unless the government has been in contact with the operators and received assurances of benign intentions. Air Force investigations did not cease in 1969. Indeed, the Air Force would be grossly remiss in its defense mission if it were NOT researching UFOs on a massive scale. Perhaps criminally so. Then again, it could just be taking the heat and fronting for a secret agency that is working on the problem.

The government clearly has the duty to protect secrets related to national security but if the earth is being visited by extraterrestrial beings, as clearly indicated by the evidence, the citizens of our open democracy should be told the truth.

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Dear Dr. Truzzi,

We've both been very busy. I had a major article on UFO Effects Upon People published in a book edited by Hilary Evans and submitted a requested manuscript for the next book on the Significance To Society If UFOs Are Extraterrestrial. All that on top of separate trips to Honolulu, Burbank, Kansas City, Oklahoma City, New York, and Washington.

I appreciate you interest in my Policy article and generally concur with your suggested changes. They have been marked on the enclosed copies. As to the middle of page 7, I can accept your suggestion and hereby authorize you to procede with it. However, I would appreciate your considering the following revision that can be defended as a factual statement.

ORIGINAL. "UFOs have made systematic inspections....."

YOUR SUGGESTION. "UFOs have seemingly made....."

PROPOSED. "Formerly classified, government documents indicate that UFOs have made....."

Any way you like and season's greetings.

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Dear Mr. Campbell:

First, please accept my apology for taking so long to get back top you regarding your article "Government Policy on UFOs." As you will recall, I did not receive the first copy you sent me. When the second copy got here, I was in the midst of much so could not immediately get to the piece. On the one hand, I think your piece has much merit but goes beyond its evidence in the last two pages. You make a good argument that there has probably been disinformation by our government. However, it is quite one thing for you to say you personally believe UFOS are extraterrestrial in origin; it is quite another to say that the evidence you present proves that. What it boils down to is this. I would like to publish your piece if you would be willing to qualify some of your concluding statements. I would suggest this could be done without compromising the integrity of your central argument as follows:

On page 7, middle of middle paragraph: Change "UFOs have made systematic inspections" to "UFOs have seemingly made systematic inspections..." Obviously, without "seemingly" it asserts that these UFOs are proven to be intelligent, inspecting, etc., which I presume you would agree is conjecture and not established fact.

On page 7, bottom paragraph, first line: "It has become clear..." would be much better as "It seems clear..." since I am sure that this clarity is not something all would agree with you about. I personally think you are probably right, but I don't think we can yet say the case is proved.
On page 7, third line from bottom: "UFOs are vehicles..." would better be "UFOs appear to be vehicles..." Again, this presumes a degree of identification that simply goes beyond the data.

I would also prefer to see the next lines (which go on to page 8) say: "Their performance seems much advanced and beyond our science and technology. The potential payout from scientific study could be enormous. I contend that UFOs are emphatically a potential menace to national security unless the government has been in contact with the operators and received assurances of benign intentions."

Finally, the last paragraph (sentence) on page 8 should better be altered to: "...but if the earth is being visited by extraterrestrial beings, as is clearly suggested by the evidence..." or, if you prefer "...as I personally believe is clearly indicated by the evidence..."

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My hope is that you will not find my suggested changes uncongenial or unreasonable. I think these changes would be in your own best interest, too. For otherwise I am sure critics like Klass would jump all over what you said and with some justification. I would prefer to keep the dialogue in ZS on the more central issues and try to avoid the little unnecessary skirmishes through prior editing and agreements with the authors. So, let me know your reactions, and I hope you will be agreeable to my suggested alterations and will let me publish your article in Zetetic Scholar.

Sincerely,

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Dear Dr. Truzzi,

I have developed some reservations about your sincerity in publishing my article GOVERNMENT POLICY ON UFOS. It is too much trouble to review the file of our correspondence but I note that an edited version was returned to me about a year ago to which I immediately responded with minor and final corrections. A later inquiry evoked your assurance that the article was to be published forthwith. As my patience has been overly strained, I herewith revoke permission for you to publish it.

The article is being submitted to the Mutual UFO Network for consideration in the 1989 Symposium at Las Vegas that has the theme of government coverup.

Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. McCampbell:

I was disappointed and a bit shocked by your letter of December 21st withdrawing your article from ZS. I can understand your unhappiness with my delay in getting the issue out, and I do hereby withdraw your piece from the issue (which, strangely luckily in this case, has not yet gone to the printer), but I am troubled by what you refered to as my "sincerity" as regards publishing your piece. It is one thing for me to be terribly late and for you to be disturbed by that; it is quite another for you to suggest I was somehow insincere about intending to publish it. However unhappy you might be about the delay in publication (which really is not that uncommon for scholarly journals, after all), I really don't see that you have any basis for questioning my motives. Nonetheless, I will, of course, respect your wish that I not now publish your article and regret that this misunderstanding has taken place between us.

ZS is published "irregularly" (as announced in the last issue). I expect to come out with at least one issue per year, but hopefully will again start getting out two per year again. ZS is basically a one-man operation. Problems ensued this year that affected my priorities such that ZS is now nearly 6 months late. I say all this not as an excuse but as an explanation.

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GOVERNMENT POLICY ON UFOS

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Fifteen to twenty years ago, the federal government displayed keen interest in UFOs. A special office, Project Blue Book, was established by the Air Force to investigate important sightings, and UFO Information Officers were designated at all Air Force bases. Captain Edward J. Ruppelt, long-time chief of Blue Book, described its work and findings in a milestone book in 1956 entitled The Report on Unidentified Flying Objects. The government also sponsored a major study of UFOs at the University of Colorado that eventually cost $500,000. Under the leadership of a famous physicist, Edward I. Condon, a massive report of nearly 1000 pages was issued in 1969, Scientific Study of Unidentified Flying Objects. While generally negative toward the subject, close reading revealed some fascinating details. A panel of scientists from the National Academy of Sciences subsequently endorsed the scope, methods, and conclusions of the so-called Condon Report in Review of the University of Colorado Report on Unidentified Flying Objects. It echoed the Condon conclusions that (a) the subject is not classified, (b) UFOs present no threat to national security, (c) future sightings should be handled in normal surveillance operations, (d) no new agency is needed for that purpose, (e) study of UFOs offers little promise of expanding scientific knowledge, (f) some cases are not easily explained, and (g) specific research proposals of merit should be supported. The existence of UFOs, it will be noted, was officially accepted although it is commonly believed that their existence was denied.

In contrast to the previous activity of the government, the last decade may be characterized as silence. Have the UFOs gone away? One would think so if looking for sighting reports distributed by the news syndicates and published in major papers, or in searching for books and magazines in the stores. [Editor's note : This article was written in 1985, prior to several widely publicized new reports of sightings, disclosure of the controversial "MJ-12" documents, and the recent rash of works dealing with abduction claims, all of which reinforce the central argument of this paper for fuller government disclosure.] Nevertheless, sightings still continue apace as indicated by a vast number of reports appearing in small-town newspapers throughout the United States. Sightings in most other countries are frequently covered in subscription periodicals such as the MUFON Journal and the International UFO Reporter.

What then, is the government doing about it, and what is the official attitude toward UFOs today? In December 1984, the author decided to find out by direct inquiries to various government offices. The following letter was used.

> "One finds many conflicting views about unidentified flying objects (UFOs) in newspapers, magazines, books, radio, and television. "Can your office funish a statement of the official U.S. policy on that subject?"

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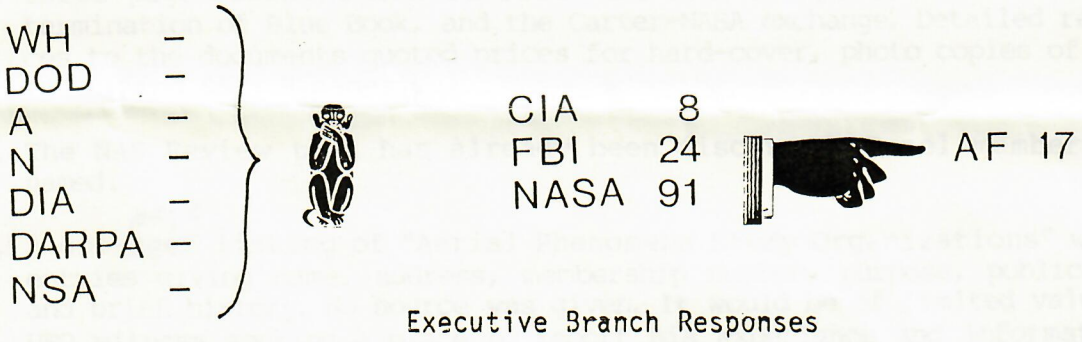
It was addressed to the Public Liaison Office of the White House, the Secretaries of Defense-Army-Navy-Air Force, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Central Intelligence Agency, Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, and National Security Agency. Copies were also sent to the author's United States Senators and his Congressman in the House of Representatives.

Responses varied greatly in content and the time required, as summarized in the accompanying diagram. Agencies are abbreviated to acronyms, followed by the delay in days. Dashes indicate no reply in six months when it was assumed that none would be forthcoming.



Executive Branch Responses

The silence of seven offices suggests that (a) there is no policy, (b) it is not known in those offices, or (c) they do not communicate with private citizens (to be expected from such as the National Security Agency but rather surprising for the Special Assistant of the President for Public Liaison).

The CIA affirmed that "There is no organized CIA effort to collect or conduct research on UFOs; although we are, of course, interested in any phenomena that might threaten the national security of the United States.... You might ask the U.S. Air Force for further information since it previously acted as Executive Agent for the U.S. Government on UFO matters. Our understanding, however, is that the Air Force closed out its formal collection program years ago for lack of evidence." The reference to national security is curious.

The FBI disclaimed any responsibility for investigating UFOs but acknowledged its previous assistance to the Air Force. "...the Air Force conducted investigations and studies of UFO reports from 1947 to 1969. On December 17, 1969, the Secretary of the Air Force announced the termination of 'Project Blue Book'.... [NASA] was asked by President Carter to look into the possibility of resuming UFO investigations in 1977. After studying all the facts available, it decided that nothing would be gained by further investigation and the Department of the Air Force agreed with that decision."

NASA furnished a single sheet, printed on both sides, entitled Source List. It was a general announcement of where people could obtain various items such as mission reports, books, maps, photos, spacecraft models, emblems, patches, T-shirts, dehydrated space foods, etc. The relevant items under the heading of UFO Information merely said "Department of the Air Force, Office of the Secretary, Washington, D.C."

Thus did the CIA, FBI, and NASA summarize the theme of the government policy and/or point to the Air Force as the authoritative source. So what did they say?

A small packet of papers from the Air Force was accompanied by a nicely-printed, blue card showing the Department emblem above the inscription "Presented With the Compliments of the Community Relations Office..." Three enclosed documents were:

1. UFO Fact Sheet. The number of "sighting reports" investigated by the Air Force was tabulated for the years 1947 through 1969. Also shown were the number of cases each year that remained unidentified. Totals were 12,618 with 701 unknowns. All others had been attributed to mudane objects, optical phenomena, heavenly bodies, abnormal weather, and hoaxes. This three-page document then reviewed the Condon Report, NAS endorsement, termination of Blue Book, and the Carter-NASA exchange. Detailed references to the documents quoted prices for hard-cover, photo copies of $36 (3 vols.) and $5 (8 pages).

2. The NAS Review that has already been discussed. Panel members were named.

3. A one-~~ager~~ page listing of "Aerial Phenomena Study Organizations" with 13 entries giving name, address, membership number, purpose, publications, and brief history. No source was given. It would be of limited value to a UFO witness seeking a place to report his experience and information on UFOs. Some of the organizations are devoted to Loch Ness monsters, Bigfoot, Bermuda Triangle, cattle mutilations, poltergeists, and Fortean mysteries. Most are inconsequential. One, with a staff of four, has disbanded and another that was prominent in the 50s and 60s has been defunct for at least 10 years. Missing from the list were the two most active and effective organizations today, namely, (a) the Mutual UFO Network, 103 Oldtowne Road, Seguin, TX 781555, and (b) the Center for UFO Studies, [now the J.Allen Hynek Center for UFO Studies, 2457 West Peterson Ave., Chicago, IL 60659].

The Air Force is obviously hanging its hat on Blue Book-Condon Report-NAS Review, all of which have been severely criticized over the years and shown to be badly flawed. It is also distributing information on UFOs that, purporting to be authoritative, is worthless at best. Significantly, the Air Force neglected to mention the well-documented, dissenting view of Condon Committee member, David R. Saunders, in UFOs? Yes! Where the Condon Committee Went Wrong. Neither was there any reference to the dozens of other outstanding books published since 1970 nor the fact that UFOs have been continually observed world-wide to the present date.

Responses from the legislative branch were more enlightening.

Senator A (141 days) promptly forwarded a post card indicating that the request had been relayed to "the appropriate federal agency" and that a definitive answer could be expected when the information was at hand. The request had gone to the Office of Legislative Liaison in the Air Force which responded with the same materials that the author had previously received directly. A transmittal letter to Senator A from Lt. Col. John J. Weaver highlighted the recurring points. "The Air Force began investigating the UFO sitings [sic] in 1948 and stopped in 1969 primarily because no evidence was found which indicated UFOs presented a threat to our national security." And "...[NASA] was asked by the President, etc..."

None of the material discussed above was received from Senator B (15 days). Instead, a brief letter transmitted a 150-page document entitled The UFO Enigma, Report No. 83-205 SPR that should be available from your own congressman. It had been originally prepared in 1976 by Marcia S. Smith of the Congressional Research Service of the Library of Congress, then updated by George D. Havas of the same office and re-issued on June 20, 1983. The document is a very objective and thorough review of the subject, richly illustrated with detailed sketches of UFOs by the witnesses. It probes into the credibility of witnesses, ambivalent behavior of the Air Force, classical cases from 1947-1969, pre-47 events, private organizations (reliable and current information), and foreign activity. Also treated in a separate chapter were key events in the period 1972-1982. Of primary interest was the effort by several private groups to obtain UFO-related documents from the FBI, CIA, Air Force, and Naval Intelligence under the Freedom of Information Act.

About 3000 pages of such information confirmed that, in the early years, the FBI took "flying discs" quite seriously but phased down its Air Force support to merely forwarding reports that it received. The released documents showed that in November 1975, for example, "...numerous overflights and hoverings of UFOS above weapons storage areas and other sensitive locations at several Strategic Air Command bases..." impinged upon national security. Such incidents were reported in accordance with JANAP 146 or Air Force Manual 55-11 and were appropriately classified.

By far the most satisfactory reply came from the Representative (52 days). A large envelope contained The UFO Enigma and a comprehensive listing of private organizations from the recent Encyclopedia of Associations by Gale Research. Also included was a 3-page article on Project Blue Book from The Encyclopedia of UFOs published in 1980, giving a history of the organization and the now familiar tabulation of its work. Lastly, there was an article from Science Digest, November 1981, presenting a survey of the field. In Scientists Who Have Seen UFOs, author Patrick Huyghe summarized the records of the Center for UFO Studies that include (a) physical evidence left at more than 2,000 landing sites, (b) encounters with strange humanoids by more than 1,500 witnesses, and (c) more than 400 reports of automobile engines that failed in the presence of UFOs. Lengthy statements by prominent scientists who are UFO investigators were also included. John F. Schuessler, a technical manager with the Space Shuttle Program, described the burns and other injuries suffered by witnesses in a recent sighting near Houston. J. Allen Hynek contributed a full-page plea on the "Case for Studying UFOs." Stephen Solomon discussed research on the possibility that some night lights be Seismic Fireballs created by electromagnetic fields from strains in the earth's crust. The author of the article concluded that "...whatever UFOs turn out to be, something extraordinary is happening."

And, indeed, it is! More and more information is becoming available and government agencies reluctantly release documents under provisions of the Act. Authors Larry Fawcett and Barry J. Greenwood quote extensively from such documents in their book Clear Intent - The Government Coverup of the UFO Experience. They reveal more detail about involvement of the CIA and FBI. Air Force investigations are shown to have continued 25 years past the claimed cut-off date. Formerly classified government documents indicate that UFOs have made systematic inspections of military bases, missile launch sites, and storage areas for nuclear weapons. And that is not the whole story. A federal

court determined that the National Security Agency would not be required to release 279 highly classified documents that were in dispute. Judge Gerhard Gessell found that release of the documents "...could seriously jeapordize the work of the agency and the security of the United States."

It seems clear that official pronouncements by the Air Force bear the earmarks of propaganda, disinformation, and deception. Based upon what is known today, it is possible to identify the party line and see through it. Main elements of the official U.S. government policy as promulgated by the Air Force are patently false. Contrary to the official claims, there is a mountain of evidence on UFOs. It is not being dispersed by the media. UFOs appear to be vehicles of unknown origin. Their performance seems much advanced and beyond our science and technology. The potential payout from scientific study could be enormous. I contend that UFOs are emphatically a menace to national security unless the government has been in contact with the operators and received assurances of benign intentions. Air Force investigations did not cease in 1969. Indeed, the Air Force would be grossly remiss in its defense mission if it were NOT researching UFOs on a massive scale. Perhaps criminally so. Then again, it could just be taking the heat and fronting for a secret agency that is working on the problem.

The government clearly has the duty to protect secrets related to national security, but if the earth is being visited by extraterrestrial beings, as is clearly suggested by the evidence. the citizens of our open democracy should be told the truth.

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Dear Dr. Truzzi,

The article is shaping up and should be nearly perfect with the corrections I have made. I would appreciate a courtesy copy of your Journal in which it appears.

As an author identity, try "Mr. McCampbell, a physicist, is Director of Research for MUFON and well known for his technical analyses of UFO reports."

Sincerely yours,

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